

that notes on both its taxonomy and life history will be published at a later date. In the meantime and in a less scientific vein I would like to suggest The Feathered Beauty as a vernacular name, being consistent with the English name of allied genera as well as describing a diagnostic feature.

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PHYTOMYZA SPOLIATA STROBL (DIPTERA: AGROMYZIDAE) NEW TO BRITAIN. — During the afternoon of 27th July 1980 I visited the Anglesey fen Cors Bodeilio (grid ref. SH 505 774) and among the flies swept from the field layer vegetation was a single male *Phytomyza* species unfamiliar to me. Using the key of Spencer (1972, Diptera: Agromyzidae. *R.E. S. Handbk. Ident. Br. Insects* X (5g)) the specimen ran down to *P. silai* Hering, but differs from this species in lacking acrostichals, possessing two upper orbital bristles, having all knees yellow and notopleura grey. Turning to Spencer (1976, The Agromyzidae of Fennoscandia and Denmark. *Fauna ent. Scand.* 5) the specimen ran to *Phytomyza spoliata* Strobl, and comparison with the description of external characters and with the illustration of the lateral view of the aedeagus confirmed the identification. Spencer (1976, *op. cit.*) records this species from Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Austria, Germany and the Mediterranean area, and gives the larval host plants as *Centaurea* spp. and possibly also *Cirsium heterophyllum* (L.) Hill. I thank Tim Blackstock (NCC Bangor) for arranging access permission to Cors Bodeilio. — Dr. I. F. G. McLEAN, Nature Conservancy Council, 19/20, Belgrave Square, London SW1X 8PY.

SOME INTERESTING MOTHS FROM CHATTENDEN WOOD, KENT.—On the night of 19th September 1980, Norman Heal and I visited this historic old locality. Amongst the 71 moths of 22 species that came to our lights was a specimen of the Tawny Pinion: *Lithophane semibrunnea* Haworth, and a single example of the Large Marbled Tortrix: *Nycteola revayana* Scopoli. On 3rd October, I returned alone and was rewarded with the sight of a very fresh Merveille du Jour: *Dichonia aprilina* L. at light.—D. DEY, 9, Monmouth Close, Rainham, Gillingham, Kent ME8 7BQ.